1		2	3
21.	Tamil Nadu	4	13
22.	Sikkim	56	69
23.	Tripura	5	7
24.	Uttar Pradesh	13	27
25.	West Bengal	1*	6
	UNION TERRITORY		
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	20	5
2.	Chandigarh	1*	0
3.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1*	60
4.	Delhi	1*	—
5.	Daman & Diu	1	
6.	Lakshadweep & Minicoy Islands	1*	5
7.	Pondicherry	1	

*AIR coverage in these states can be normally taken as 100% i.e. without taking into consideration the special requirement of certain situations.

Setting up of Nickel Extraction Plant at Sukinda, Orissa

1254. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:—

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up a nickel extraction plant at Sukinda in Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken thereon;

(c) the estimated cost of the project; and

(d) the year in which the nickel extraction plant is going to be set up at Sukinda?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Employment to Non SC/ST Candidates on Production of SC/ST Certificate

1255. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to such cases regarding the employment of non-SC/ST candidates on production of SC & ST certificate;

(b) if so, the Union Territories from where such matter has been reported;

(c) the steps taken to check such incidents and observe the employment policy for SC & ST; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) and (b) Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe certificates are issued by the revenue authorities of the State Governments/ U.T. Administrations. Complaint, if any received, is referred to the concerned State Government/U.T. Administration for appropriate action.

(c) and (d) Detailed instructions have been issued to all the State Governments/ U.T. Administrations for proper enquiry and verification of the claims before issue of SC/ST certificates. The officials who issue certificate carelessly and without proper verification are liable for action under the relevant provisions of the Indian Penal Code in addition to the action to which they are liable under the